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Re:

U.S. Utility Patent Application

Application No. 10/694,729; Filed: October 29, 2003

For: Multipurpose And Programmable
Pad Ring For An Integrated Circuit

Inventors:

TRAN et al.

Our Ref:

1875.4520000

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Original, executed Power of Attorney from Assignee;
- 2. Original, executed Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b);
- 3. A copy of the Assignment; and
- 4. One return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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The Assignee hereby appoint the U.S. attorneys James D. Bennett, Registration No. 37,550, Jeffrey DeRoy Wheeler, Registration No. 39,066; Noel Benjamin Whitley, Registration No. 42,225; and Harry Shannon Tyson, Jr., Registration No. 42,193, of Broadcom Corporation, 16215 Alton Parkway, Irvine, CA 92618-3616, and the attorneys associated with CUSTOMER NUMBER 28393 to prosecute this application and any continuation, divisional, continuation-in-part, or reissue application thereof, and to transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, such attorneys currently being: Robert Greene Sterne, Esq., Reg. No. 28,912; Edward J. Kessler, Esq., Reg. No. 25,688; Jorge A. Goldstein, Esq., Reg. No. 29,021; David K.S. Cornwell, Esq., Reg. No. 31,944; Robert W. Esmond, Esq., Reg. No. 32,893; Tracy-Gene G. Durkin, Esq., Reg. No. 32,831; Michele A. Cimbala, Esq., Reg. No. 33,851; Michael B. Ray, Esq., Reg. No. 33,997; Robert E. Sokohl, Esq., Reg. No. 36,013; Eric K. Steffe, Esq., Reg. No. 36,688, Michael Q. Lee, Esq., Reg. No. 35,239; Steven R. Ludwig, Esq., Reg. No. 36,203; John M. Covert, Esq., Reg. No. 38,759; Linda E. Alcorn, Esq., Reg. No. 39,588; Lawrence B. Bugaisky, Esq., Reg. No. 35,086; Donald J. Featherstone, Esq., Reg. No. 33,876; Robert C. Millonig, Esq., Reg. No. 34,395; Michael V. Messinger, Esq., Reg. No. 37,575; Judith U. Kim, Esq., Reg. No. 40,679; Timothy J. Shea, Jr., Esq., Reg. No. 41,306; and Patrick E. Garrett, Esq., Reg. No. 39,987. The Assignee hereby grants said attorneys the power to insert on this Power of Attorney any further identification that may be necessary or desirable in order to comply with the rules of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

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1875.4520000 STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b) Applicant/Patent Owner: TRAN et al. Application No./Patent No.: 10/694.729 Filed/Issue Date: October 29, 2003 Entitled: MULTIPURPOSE AND PROGRAMMABLE PAD RING FOR AN INTEGRATED CIRCUIT Broadcom Corporation corporation (Name of Assignee) (Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.) states that it is: 1. \(\) the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest; or 2. an assignee of less than the entire right, title and interest. 100 % in the patent application patent identified above by virtue of either: A. [x] An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application/patent identified above. The assignment was recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office at Reel _____, Frame ____, or for which a copy thereof is attached. B. [] A chain of title from the inventor(s), of the patent application/patent identified above, to the current assignee as shown below: The document was recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office at Reel ____, Frame _____, or for which a copy thereof is attached. The document was recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office at Reel _____, Frame _____, or for which a copy thereof is attached. To: The document was recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office at _____, Frame _____ _____, or for which a copy thereof is attached. [] Additional documents in the chain of title are listed on a supplemental sheet. [x] Copies of assignments or other documents in the chain of title are attached. [NOTE: A separate copy (i.e., the original assignment document or a true copy of the original document) must be submitted to Assignment Division in accordance with 37 CFR Part 3, if the assignment is to be recorded in the records of the PTO. See MPEP 302.08] The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee. Date ed or printed name (949) 926-5958 Signature (Telephone number Manager, Intellectual Property Portfolio

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- (a) in the invention known as <u>Multipurpose and Programmable Pad Ring for an Integrated Circuit</u> for which application for patent in the United States of America has (have) been executed by the undersigned on 1) 10/27/03 and 2) (also known as United States Application No. <u>To Be Assigned</u> filed <u>Herewith</u>; Attorney Docket No. <u>1875.4520000</u>), in any and all applications thereon, in any and all Letters Patent(s) therefor, and
- (b) in any and all applications that claim the benefit of the patent application listed above in part (a), including continuing applications, reissues, extensions, renewals and reexaminations of the patent application or Letters Patent therefor listed above in part (a), to the full extent of the term for which Letters Patents issue, and
- (c) in any and all inventions described in the patent application listed above in part (a), and in any and all forms of intellectual and industrial property protection derivable from such patent application, and that are derivable from any and all continuing applications, reissues, extensions, renewals and reexaminations of such patent application, including, without limitation, patents, applications, utility models, inventor=s certificates, and designs together with the right to file applications therefor; and including the right to claim the same priority rights from any previously filed applications under the International Agreement for the Protection of Industrial Property, or any other international agreement, or the domestic laws of the country in which any such application is filed, as may be applicable;

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